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SUBJECT: 61ST UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY: PM ABDULLAH AND FM SYED
TO ATTEND

REF: SECSTATE 112656

¶1. (SBU) Reftel requested an interim report on official attendance at the 61st UN General Assembly. On July 31, Johan Ariff Abdul Razak, MFA Assistant Secretary of the United Nations and Disarmament Branch stated that Prime Minister Abdullah Badawi will lead the Malaysian delegation, accompanied by Foreign Minister Syed Hamid Albar. Johan was unable to confirm any further details on the high-level attendance. As the GOM will be attending the NAM Summit in Havana immediately prior to the UNGA, Johan said that the decision would not be made until after the first week of August. He also noted that interpretation services have never been necessary for the Malaysian delegation at the UNGA.

Attendance of the Head of State

¶2. (SBU) No plans to attend the UNGA.

Attendance of the Head of Government

¶3. (SBU) Plans to attend.
-- Name and title: Datuk Seri Abdullah Ahmad Badawi, Prime Minister.
-- Arrival and departure dates to and from New York and other U.S. locations, and whether the head of government will be present for the General Debate: Unknown.
-- Whether spouse of the Head of State will travel to New York: No.
-- Whether interpretation would be required in a bilateral or multilateral meeting: No.

Attendance of the Head of Foreign Minister

¶4. (SBU) Plans to attend.
-- Name and title: Datuk Seri Syed Hamid Albar, Foreign Minister.
-- Arrival and departure dates to and from New York and other U.S. locations, and whether the Foreign Minister will be present for the General Debate: Unknown.
-- Whether spouse of the Head of State will travel to New York: Unknown.
-- Whether interpretation would be required in a bilateral or multilateral meeting: No.

Attendance of Other VIP's

¶5. (U) Undetermined.

-- Name and title: Unknown.
-- Arrival and departure dates to and from New York and whether the VIP will be present for the General Debate: Unknown.
-- Whether the spouse of the VIP will travel to New York: Unknown.
-- Whether interpretation would be required in a bilateral or multilateral meeting: Unknown.

Attendance of the MFA Official Responsible for IO Affairs

¶6. (U) Undetermined.
-- Name and title: Unknown.
-- Arrival and departure dates to and from New York and other U.S. locations, and whether the head of government will be present for the General Debate: Unknown.
-- Whether spouse of the Head of State will travel to New York: Unknown.
-- Whether interpretation would be required in a bilateral or multilateral meeting: Unknown.
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